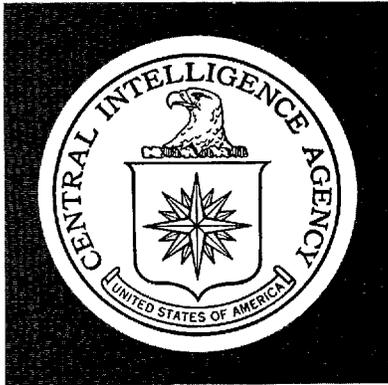


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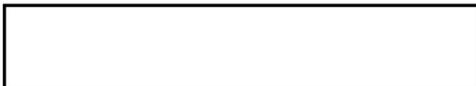
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Rhodesia-UK: Britain's latest terms for a settlement with Rhodesia would, in effect, assure continued white rule in Rhodesia for a long time to come.

Both countries seem to be moving toward agreement.

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if an agreement is to be reached, Britain probably will have to give up the idea of an "external" safeguard mechanism to protect the constitutional rights of Rhodesian blacks. Smith has rejected this as an infringement on Rhodesian sovereignty. Both sides might agree instead to a treaty arrangement--which Wilson suggested to the British parliament on 22 October--that would serve the same purpose but be subject to Rhodesian interpretation.

In return, Smith has accepted Britain's demand that Africans, popularly elected, constitute one fourth of the membership of the Rhodesian parliament--comprising a "blocking quarter" on key constitutional amendments. He has also agreed to bring two Africans into his government, although it is not clear whether he means into the cabinet. These concessions should improve the negotiating climate,

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